



METROLINA REGIONAL
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Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy

SA Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday April 24, 2023 at 6:30 PM EDT

Location

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

Topic: Scholars Academy Monthly Board Meetings

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Agenda

Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items		6:30 PM
Opening Items		
A. Record Attendance and Guest s	Dominique Palmer	1 m
Confirm meeting recording.		

Purpose	Presenter	Time
B. Call the Meeting to Order	Catherine Lewis	1 m

Do we have a quorum? Welcome to the Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy Board Meeting.

C. Read Mission Statement	Mike Pfaff	2 m
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Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy provides a differentiated, challenging, and equitable learning environment that supports the distinctive intellectual, social, and emotional needs of highly gifted children from diverse backgrounds and enables them to form meaningful relationships with their intellectual peers.

D. Administrative Meeting Review	Catherine Lewis	2 m
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E. Approve Minutes of Prior Minutes 3/27/23	Dominique Palmer	2 m
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- Official approval of draft minutes

Purpose	Presenter	Time
F. Approval of Prior Minutes - Special Meeting 4/6/23	Dominique Palmer	2 m
G. Adoption of the Agenda	Catherine Lewis	2 m

Are there any Amendments to the Agenda?

II. Community Comments (First Opportunity) - subject to guidelines **6:42 PM**

A. Community Comments - guidelines		5 m
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III. Director's Report **6:47 PM**

A. General Items	Ari Pieper	10 m
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- Director's Report - this month, the report will include an explanation of the budget process and of our current grants

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any contracts to be discussed in closed session • Any personnel matters to be discussed in closed session 		

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IV. Governance Committee 6:57 PM

A. State	Erica Womer	10 m
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Committee updates:

- Provide updates on the community town hall (April 19th), "Ask the Board" form on school website, 360 feedback ED evaluation process, and board recruitment
- An employment contract will be discussed in closed (VOTE)

V. Policy Committee Updates 7:07 PM

A. Policy	Erica Womer	5 m
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Committee updates:

- First read of the revised Gift Policy
- Policies still under review this this year: paid-time off and gift policy
- Policies adopted so far this year: staff teleworking (revised) and religious holiday (new)

VI. Expansion Committee 7:12 PM

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Scholars Academy will remain in our current facility for the 2023-24 school year. We are assessing ways to grow in our current location.

Purpose	Presenter	Time
VII. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee Updates		7:15 PM
A. Staff Review with	Dominique Palmer	5 m
Committee updates:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share update on the multi-cultural experience day on April 7th • Review commitment to actions outlined on the DEI Action Plan 		
VIII. Educational Excellence Committee Updates		7:20 PM
A. Staff Review with	Catherine Lewis	1 m
There was no committee meeting in April due to spring break holiday.		
IX. Foundation		7:21 PM
A. Staff Review with	AJ Farooqi	4 m
Provide an update on this year's AGC trends and transportation program fund		
X. Whole Child Committee		7:25 PM
A. Staff Review with	Alison Hall	3 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share updates on the teacher retreats hosted in April 		
XI. Finance Committee Update		7:28 PM

Purpose	Presenter	Time
A. Final Report Recommendations Committee Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review proposed 2023-24 budget • Discuss rolling over expiring CD's and shifting \$500K more from cash to short-term CD's (VOTE) • Discuss staff compensation in closed (VOTE) 	Adam Starling	45 m

XII. Community Comments (Second Opportunity) - Subject to Guidelines 8:13 PM

A. Agenda Item Summary		5 m
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XIII. Closed Session 8:18 PM

As noted in the Agenda or Meeting:

1. to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential
2. to discuss material terms of a contract or proposed contract
3. to discuss or consider employment contracts

Purpose	Presenter	Time
A. Closed Session Discussion		30 m
XIV. Closing Items		
A. Vote on any items from Closed Session	Catherine Lewis	10 m
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B. Adjunct Meeting	Catherine Lewis	